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Poetry.

That Boy.

Is the house turned topsy turvey? Does it ring from street to roof? Will the racket still continue, Spite of all your mild reproof? Are you often in a flutter? Are you sometimes thrilled with joy? Then I have my grave suspicions,

That you have at home-that Boy.

Are the walls and tables hammered? Are your nerves and ink upset? Have two eyes, so bright and roguish, Made you every care forget? Have your garden-beds & prowler, Who delights but to destaoy? These are well-known indications,

That you have at home-that Boy.

Have you seen him playing circus-With his head upon the mat, And his heels in mid-air twinkling-For his audience, the cat? Do you ever stop to listen, When his merry pranks annoy-Listen to a voice that whispers, You were once just like-that Boy?

Have you heard of broken windows, And within nobody to blame? Have you seen a trowsered urchin. Quite unconscious of the same? De you love a tensing mixture, Of perplexity and joy? You have a dozen daughters, But I know you've got-that Boy.

The Currency Pressure.

Notwithstanding the suspension of work in large manufacturing establishments, and commercial failures of houses of extensive connections, the financial condition, as viewed by the New York papers, presents a more encouraging aspect than recent events indicate. The stagnation in the circulating medium growing out of a general want of confidence, as all know, is now the chief difficulty, and the New York papers of Tuesday particularly comment on this phase of the situation. The Times says: "The money in circulation was too

little to hold up stocks, pay for the enormous crops of grain and cottonand move them to the seaboard. The panic then began on account of the stringency in money, which was not artificial, but brought about in the ordinary course of events. Confidence has been thaken now by the numerous failures and the clatter concerning the instability of the moneyed institutions. A restoration of public confidence in the safety of the banks, and an ample supply of money, will bring about speedy recovery. As the panic began on account of monetary stringency so it will end by relaxation in the rates this will be permanent. We have the money now. There is more in circulation by fifty millions of dollars than six weeks ago. The bank s have drawn largely on their legal reserve. The government has paid out the surplus England, which are now in active use here. The country needed more money, and it has been obtained. The truth is that before long currency will be a glut, and four per cent be considered a high rate of interest. Every manufactory that closes, and every iron forge that shuts down instead of adding to the general stringency in money tends to make it more easy. Money is dearest when there is the greatest call for it to use in business requirements. It is cheap when it seeks investment instead of being sought for."

A Nashville man had occasion to go to Memphis over the Northwestern road last week. There were but few passengers aboard, and during the night the conductor came and sat down by him. "Goin' to Memphis, are you stranger?" he asked. "Yes, sir," said the Nashville man. "Mighty rough, ain't it?" querried the conductor, with a yawn. "Very," was the reply "Last time I went over the road this car we're in now was upset, and a man was killed all to smash," said the communicative ticket-puncher, with an other yawn. Then, he added: "I've got the most reckless engineer on the road with me to night, too; but I hope we won't have any accidents." "I certainly hope we will not," responded the passenger, with uneasiness. "Well, I don't know as it would make much Forwarding and Commission difference to you," said the conductor cheerfully, "you'll die anyway, if you are goin' to Memphis."

Teacher-"Who was the first man?" Head scholar-"Washington; he was Staple and Fancy Groceries, Provisions, Liquors, Argosy and other choice brands of flour Agent for Pomeroy Salt Co. Pomeroy Iron Cobs. Nails. Louisville Line and Cement, Xenia Powder Co. &c. &c. Ann Street, above Court, West Va.

West Va.

Illead scholar—"Washington; he was the first in war, first in—"Teacher—" No. no; Adam was the first man." 'No. no; Adam was the first man." 'No. if you're talking of foreigners, I spose he was." Kentucky Petroleum.

Some years ago, parties following

mere "surface shows" of the carboniferous limestome, struck the Glasgow shale is mountain limestone, in places arenaceous, vesicular and cavernous, furnishing thus the requisite conditions for oil accumulation, in many instances affording large reservoirs for the storage of the valuable petroleum. Oil was found in large quantities on Boyle's creek, Barren county, near Glasgow, but while comparatively free from naptha, it was found of a very sulphurous nature, and all attempt at refining it and making it a marketable product signally failed, although scientists and chemists tried their hands at it. One of the wells the "Kinslow well," sunk by the "Boyd Creek Oil Company (since dissolved), flowed in a copious stream for four years into the creek, a perfect waste of a valuable product. About five years ago, after thousands of dollars had been sunk ir. abortive efforts to refine the Glasgow region petroleum ,Messrs. Chess. Charley & Co. bought the land em bracing many old bores from which the oil was escaping and began opera tions. They have there, ten produc ing wells, some of them with a natura flow cil and others requiring the use of the pump. By a process known only to themselves, the firm has succeeded in refining the petroleum and making : fine marketable article of it. The pro duct of these wells is from one thous and to twelve hundred barrels per month. The oil is conveyed in tanks to the refinery in this city where it undergoes the proper treatment.

The rapid development of this valua ble commercial product so near Louis ville, and the inevitable increase for the future are fraught with good augu ry of the future commercial importance of our city. It has hitherto been gen erally believed that the experiments in boring for oil in Western Kentucky proved conclusively that there were nothing but "surface shows" to be found, and that all money invested in such enterprises was only thrown away. It has been demonstrated, however, that one of the most valuable natural products of the earth is right at our door, and can be made auxillary to our commercial importance. Petroof interest and proofs furnished that leum is one of those substantial products which holds its own on account of the wide demand for it. A late number of the New York Shipping List gives the product of the oil wells for the past ten months at nearly 200,-000,000 gallons or 5,000,000 barrels. of \$15.000,000 in purchases of bonds Three million barrels are sent abroad \$44,000,000 reserve. Millions of gold be gained some knowledge of the ex-

> Why People Dont Go to Church. [By Henry Ward Beecher.]

Why do not people go to church more? One thinks it is this, and another thinks it is this, and another thinks it is that. You can open a church in a a hovel, and let a voice go forth that it has the power of touching men and you will find it crowded and thronged. You do not want the cob that used to have the corn. That which men want is sappy food, refreshing food. Men are willing to be dealt with, to have their sins flashed in their faces; willing to have their consciences aroused, but do not want to be handled. They want a preacher that takes hold of them in some way and if he can do more than that; if he can give to them that which every man consciously needs-some men have aspiration, and some more indulge in superficial thought-and if we can give him strength to bear his

Men that are sore in life; men who are in sorrow; men who don't know how to bring up their children, and who are continually having more and more added to their flock; people who want to know where the next hod of coal is coming from; people who are afraid of the sheriff, men who are pricked with 10,000 nettles of human lifethey come to church and hear a long disscussion on the fall of Adam. Well that is not inopportune, but still they're so flat themselves that they feel as if they would like to kno something that deadens the struggle that is going on with in them; they want some one who will take part with them, a minister who brings God down to the side of men, not as an everlasting condemner, but one who brings God down as a present help in time of trouble.

Shall Cuba be Free?

It would take but a few brief months the indications, which geology pointed to decide this question in favor of Cuout in Kentucky, and neglecting the ban independence, if the government would suspend, the neutrality, laws. There are thousand, yes, hundreds of region of Southern Kentucky, where thousands of brave adventurous spirits the formation overlying the Genesee in this country who would then enrol themselves under the banner of the republic of Cuba. In less than sixty days an army of more than fifty thousand men could be landed on the shores of the "Queen of the Antillies," and before the coming of another spring Spanish power in the island would be completely broken. The cold-blooded massacre of the officers, crew and passengers of the Virginius has aroused a feeling in this country that cannot be quelled. The planters of Cuba are an intel-

ligent, well educated class of men, and it is no wonder that in course of time their discontent at the tyrannical rule of Spain manifested itself in open revolt. The present rebellion commenced in October, 1868, and has been carried on with varying success from that day to this. During that period the Spaniards have conducted the war in utter violation of the usages of civilized nations .. The home government organized the resident Spaniards into a volunteer army, which numbers about forty thousand men. These volunteers have shown themselves more cruel and bloodthirsty than the janizaries formerly employed by the Turkish sultans. The cold blooded murder of a number of medical students in Havana a few years ago is or ought to be, still fresh in the memory of American readers. This act should have been deemed a sufficient excuse for the intervention of civilized nations in the name of humanity. Our Government should have interfered at the time Dr. Houard, an American citizen, was seized imprisoned, sentenced to years of servitude in a Spanish penal colony, and conveyed to Spain, all the while kept in irons, and finally released when his health was broken down. Our Government went down on its knees to Spain to implore Dr. Houard's release, instead of demanding it and backing up the demand with sufficient force to compel compliance with it. This victim of Spanish crueity was stripped of all his earthly possessions, and returned to this country an old man broken in health and spirits, and utterly impoverished. The American government failed to do its duty in his case, and all because the son-in-law of Hamilton Fish, Grant's premier, is employed by the Spanish government at a princely salary, as its agent in this country. We have no faith that even now, in view of the coldblooded murder of the American citizens captured and has also drawn largely upon the annually, and from these figures may on the Virginius, the government will do anything to vindicate its stained have been sent over from the Bank of tent of the trade, - Louisville Courier honor. If it obeyed the voice of the people it would at once put itself in posi tion to chastise these Castillian butchers. The time for apology on the part of Spain is past. Upon the assembling of Congress war should be declared against that country. In the meantime let the President suspend the neutrality laws by proclamation, and the government would have very little to do after the declaration of war to drive the Spaniards from the soil of Cuba. The work would be well nigh accomplished before a regiment of United States soldiers could be landed there. The blood of the American people is up. Only permit the republic of Cuba to open recruiting offices in our large cities north and south, and permit Cuban transports to take these armed volunteers to Cuba, without molestation, and the work would be

> The Mobile Register says that a civil suit for \$500 was recently tried before a jury of eight white men and four colored men, in Sumter county, Ala. in which the learned jury rendered a verdict of manslaughter in the first degree. Not a member of the jury knew a single letter of the alphabet. Upon delivering the verdict, the foreman remarked that inhamuch as no one was killed they decided to render a verdict of man. laughter, and not of murder, as was originally intended. The suit was marely to recover a debt growing out of a disputed business transaction.

nearly accomplished before the gov-

ernment would get ready to move.

"The slanderous soul is imbued with electric fire of hell. The black heart emits the sulphurous fumes till his whole nature is absorded in one homogeneous mass of hellishness," is the way a Tennessee editor pulverized & person who slandered hlm.